

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – PR&RD Department – Allegation of irregularities in drilling of bore wells in Tribal Areas of Visakhapatnam District against Sri K.E.C. Venkata Rao, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, Koyyuru Mandal, Visakhapatnam District– Placed under suspension – Reinstated into service – Charges under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Not proved in the Inquiry Report of C.O.I – Further action dropped – Retired as Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Sub-Division, Achanta, W.G. District - Regularization of suspension period from 07.02.1994 to 22.11.1994 as on duty under FR 54-(B)(3) - Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG. II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.367

Dated:27 -05-2024.

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Rt.No.85, PR&RD (Estt. III) Department, Dt: 28.01.1994.
2. G.O.Rt.No.1885, PR&RD (Estt. III) Department, Dt: 02.11.1994.
3. Govt. Memo No. 329/VS.I/A2/2001-9, PR&RD (VS.I) Department, Dt: 01.06.2002.
4. G.O.Rt.No. 1770, PR&RD (Vig. II) Department, Dt: 12.12.2006.
5. G.O.Rt.No. 1674, PR&RD (Vig. II) Department, Dt: 12.11.2010.
6. From the ENC, RWS&S, AP, Letter No. PRR06 - 31023(32)/5/2024-Vig.& Stores-ECRWSS, dated: 13.02.2024.

ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, Government had placed Sri K.E.C. Venkata Rao, Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, Koyyuru Mandal, Visakhapatnam under suspension on the allegation of irregularities in drilling of bore wells in Tribal Areas of Visakhapatnam District. In the reference 2nd read above, Government reinstated Sri K.E.C. Venkata Rao, Assistant Executive Engineer, PR into service, pending inquiry.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, Government issued articles of charge against Sri K.E.C. Venkata Rao, AEE (PR) under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991, as he got drilled and recorded 19 bore wells in Koyyuru Mandal and recommended for payment of Rs.62,61,613/- and during verification of 16 bore wells there was variation in measurement of bore wells depths and casing pipes and fraudulently a total amount of Rs.1,02,663/- was paid in excess to the drilling company for the verified bore wells and caused corresponding loss to the Government, with a direction to submit his written statement of defence. The Charged Officer has submitted his Written Statement of Defence.

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3. In the reference 4th read above, Government have appointed Smt. Chandana Khan, IAS, Commissioner of Inquiries, G.A. Department as Inquiry Authority to conduct inquiry into the charges framed against Charged Officer, Sri K.E.C. Venkata Rao, AEE (PR) among others. Accordingly, the Inquiry Authority has submitted inquiry report dt:15.05.2010 and the Inquiry Authority held that the prosecution could not establish the guilt of the accused beyond reasonable doubt and especially due to the time lag between the execution of the works and inspection and this has sufficiently weakened the case.

4. In the reference 5th read above, Government dropped further action against Sri K.E.C. Venkata Rao, AEE (PR) on the misappropriation of Government funds in execution of bore wells in Koyyuru Mandal, Visakhapatnam in the above disciplinary case.

5. In the reference 6th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation has informed that Sri K.E.C. Venkata Rao, the Deputy Executive Engineer, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, Sub-Division, Achanta, WG District has submitted representation dt: 25.01.2024 stating that he was under suspension **w.e.f 07.02.1994 to 22.11.1994 in the above said disciplinary case** and the same not yet regularized and requested to regularize his suspension period as on duty. The Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, while forwarding the above representation of individual, has requested the Government to take further action being competent authority.

6. Government, after careful examination of the matter, have decided and accordingly hereby order to regularize the suspension period undergone by Sri K.E.C. Venkata Rao, former Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, Koyyuru, Visakhapatnam District and presently retired as Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Achanta, West Godavari District w.e.f. 07.02.1994 to 22.11.1994 as duty under FR 54-(B)(3) in the matter.

7. The Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, AP, Vijayawada is requested to take further necessary action accordingly in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(FAC)

To
The Engineer-in-Chief, Rural Water Supply & Sanitation, AP,
Vijayawada.

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Sri K.E.C. Venkata Rao, former Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, Koyyuru, Visakhapatnam District and presently retired as Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Achanta, W.G. District
through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, AP, Vijayawada.

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The Engineer-in-Chief, Panchayat Raj, AP, Vijayawada.
PS to Principal Secretary to Government, PR&RD Department.
PR&RD (Estt. I) Department
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SECTION OFFICER

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